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Sir:

Applicant files this response, an Affidavit by Rashida A. karmali and under objection, a Petition for Extension of Time for 5 months.

Applicant's attorney Rashida Karmali received a telephone inquiry from Examiner Marcelas M. Cordero Garcia on July 11, 2006, around 3.45 pm in which the Examiner asked for the status of the application. She was informed that the application was pending and applicant was awaiting an Office Action in response to the Response to Restriction filed on December 6, 2005.

Next the Examiner pointed out that an Office Communication had been mailed on January 17, 2006 requiring further information on the election made. The Examiner was gracious to access with applicant's attorney, PAIR and also with her Supervisor as to whether applicant would be required to file a Petition for Extension of Time for five months (with the fee of \$1080.00 for Small Entity),